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2003 State of the River Meetings Set

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO – Two “State of the River” public forums discussing water management on the Colorado River will be held in Grand and Summit Counties in early May. These annual meetings are sponsored by the Colorado River Water Conservation District to give the public the opportunity to hear and address representatives of organizations that manage water in the Colorado River Basin. As headwaters counties, both Grand and Summit counties are greatly affected by a number of different entities involved in water management who operate reservoirs, transmountain diversions and create public policy.

Among the agencies attending are Denver Water, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District, Bureau of Land Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, The Colorado River Water Conservation District and others.

The Grand County meeting will be held Wednesday, May 7th in the conference area at the Inn at Silver Creek in Granby. The program will begin at 6:30pm.

Summit County’s program will be the following evening Thursday, May 8th at the Summit County Community and Senior Center located at the Summit County Commons south of Frisco on Highway 9. The presentation begins at 6:30pm.

All members of the public are invited to attend these open sessions. Among issues discussed will be reservoir operations at Green Mountain, Granby, Dillon, Wolford and Williams Fork; river flows levels on the Blue, Upper Colorado and Fraser; bypass flows and other management matters that impact domestic water use, recreation, fish and irrigation.

For additional information about these meetings, call Peter Roessmann, Education Specialist at the Colorado River Water Conservation District at (970) 945-8522, ext. 36.

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